

## ON THE BOOK TABLE

Reviews of Late Publications  
Recently Received

## CRITICISM OF A DREAM BOOK

Several Readable Novels Noted—A  
Valuable Treatise on Rail-  
road-Magazines.

Flournoy's "The Dream Child" has had a success so remarkable that a second edition has been required to supply the demand. It is a book from which true men and women must turn in disappointment. If it taught a wholesome lesson it might be accepted as an interesting portrayal of an improbable fancy—a harmless revelation of the so-called mysteries of occultism which are so powerfully set forth in Balzac's "Seraphita." But the story interlocks human passion with astral consciousness and out from the embrace comes a corrupting lesson. The story is a materialistic cheapness on spiritual consciousness. It breathes a spirit of faithlessness to the tenderest human emotions. It appeals to the prurient tastes of misnamed women and morbid girls. It is representing in its moral and devoted husband, the man's ambition to soothe and ally the heart-burnings of those whose existence is made miserable by unattractive unions with unattractive husbands. She has chosen as her martyr a man whose noble character shines out in marked contrast to the average man. To such a hero indeed, a wife proves faithless. The translation of her love to an astral lover who roams the realms of Whence at will does not mitigate the offensiveness of her perfidy. For twenty years she remains from a tender and devoted husband all knowledge of her spiritual affinity for Zanol—a spirit myth—while pursuing to pacify him with unreal tales of a visionary existence in trance conditions. One cannot have patience to discuss the theoretical principles which are the foundation of the "Dream Child's" construction. One can only recall that a spirit libertine enters the picture of a noble husband's home to steal away his wife—her affections, her husband and her soul. If such literature be welcome to the homes of those who devour this book with eagerness, then Browning's writings are sacred tomes of purity.

One of the most interesting books of the year is "The House of Bancroft," published by the Bancroft company. Mr. Bancroft narrates his trials and triumphs in the domain of literature. He is a historian whose works on the Pacific coast states and Mexico have been accepted as authoritative. "The House of Bancroft" he tells us all about his methods of work and how he has expended thousands of dollars and years of time building up a literary atmosphere on the West Coast; collecting the materials for the magnificent library which bears his name, and gleaming from the book marks of the world the original manuscripts of historical volumes on the early settlement of the Pacific west. The book is partly in the nature of an advertisement, but it is so lucidly written and with so charmingly characteristic of the erudite author that one's interest is held completely by it. It ought to be in every library. Eaton, Lynde & Co., Palmer, Meach & Co. or Wykes & Burns will supply it.

Persons in whose veins Gallic blood courses will be charmed by Jane Barlow's "Irish Idylls," published by Dodd, Mead & Co. The author naively remarks in her preface that "In Lisconnell and other such places, we have a saying that there are plenty of things besides turf to be found in a bog." Her book attempts to record some of these things, agreed with that delicate humor of which the educated Irishman is supreme master. The author injects into her narrative much of the enthusiasm latent in the Irish heart. She sees the conditions of her own country and beholding in its surroundings opportunities very little promised of prosperous development, turns her eyes longingly to the west as the asylum for her and her race. The book is not idyllic. It is instinct with usefulness and one cannot read it without having a higher regard for Irish character and loftier love for this country. Palmer, Meach & Co.

When the Rev. Henry A. Adams publicly renounced his allegiance to the episcopacy to accept the teachings of the catholic faith, the whole religious world was amazed. He had been for years rector of a cathedral in Buffalo and served in the pastorate of the church of the Redeemer in New York city. He has just issued, from his retreat at Quaker Lodge, a little book containing eight of the sermons he delivered from the episcopal pulpit in the course of his long ministry. The book is dedicated to his old parishioners. The sermons are simple and intense expressions of bible truths revealing the religious fervor and faith of their author. "Whatever," says he, "there may be in these papers which is not true, I bitterly regret. That as a whole, they are what I would wish men to believe, there is no doubt." Published by J. Selwin Tait & Sons, 31 East Seventh street, N. Y., price, \$1. Wykes & Burns.

"National Consolidation of the Railways of the United States" is the title of a learned argument by George H. Lusk, an Iowa lawyer, published by Dodd, Mead & Co. The book is essentially a text book for political economists, although it may be profitably perused by the general public. Mr. Lusk believes that the ultimate solution of the great railway problem is in consolidation of all the railroads into one great corporation, which shall be under the direct control of the state. With this belief firmly rooted, he ignores cheap and unflattering criticisms to give the subject a logical presentation. Incidentally reference is had to the peculiar circumstances of railway management, but the chief topic is never lost sight of in these momentary digressions. The work is an able exposition on railway information. Palmer, Meach & Co.

The November number of Blue and Gray is not as fully illustrated as most of its predecessors, but the subject matter is quite up to the high standard of this unique publication. The unknown naval officer, "Union Jack," continues his series "With Farragut on the Hartford," with a description of the preparations for the great battle below New Orleans. The next installment will be a description of that engagement.

The Cassell Publishing company was sold at public auction on Friday, October 27, the purchases being the Cassell Publishing company. The new owners consist of a number of the stockholders of the old company, with others. W. L. Meacham, formerly of the Meacham Press, Rahway, New Jersey, becomes president and managing; Frank Seaman, vice president; E. A. Archer, treasurer; and John E. Ryan, secretary and associate man-

ager. Among the first publications of The Cassell Publishing company will be the "Life and Later Speeches of Chauncey M. Depew," and a new novel by Sarah Grand, author of "The Heavenly Twins."

"Shepp's World's Fair Photographs" is a magnificent album containing half-tone pictures of all the buildings, principal decorative statues, fountains and exhibits of the great exposition. The pictures are accompanied by briefly written sketches of the fair, the whole constituting a novel and valuable souvenir of that wonderful epoch guided by the term of the fair. It is published by the Globe Publishing company, Philadelphia.

Alexander Majors, a personal life-long friend to Buffalo Bill, has written a book, "Twenty Years on the Frontier," and dedicated it to him. The story is a graphic one, the author being the originator of the Pony Express, filled with descriptions of the exploits which have made famous the names of those associated with the history of the border. Eaton, Lynde & Co.

Dodd, Mead & Co. have just issued a bright little novel by Wheatley, entitled "Annie of Rome." It is printed with the clearness characteristic of the Dodd concern and the title pages are relieved by dashes of color making them attractive. The novel is of the conventional order, well-written and ably interesting. Palmer, Meach & Co.

Lynde Palmer has written a book, "A Question of Honor," published by Dodd, Mead & Co., which is a strong defense of right doing even when doubt as to one's duty makes it uncertain whether the wrong is not permissible. It will be read with genuine interest for the moral it contains is prettily presented. Palmer, Meach & Co.

"Joel Marsh; an American," is a novel by a very McAlpine, published by Ward, Lock & Bowden, New York. It is published in paper covers and while not an original fancy is clever. Wykes & Burns.

Isabella Dey Ermand Hartness is the author of a pamphlet entitled "My Trip Around the World at Jackson Park." It is a pretty little booklet, well written and withal of great local interest.

The principal item of interest in the current Review of Reviews is a treatise on silver by E. Benjamin Andrews. Wykes & Burns.

Hubbard Bros. have published "Samantha at Saratoga" in a neat binding for the library table. Eaton, Lynde & Co.

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